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the Government direct that at least hereafter a minimum number of Headmasters should be selected from out of the Local Board Teachers?"

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—"The qualification prescribed for the post is that only assistants who have put in ten years service can become headmasters. Here, there were only two persons, who had put in ten years' service. They were qualified to apply and they applied. But the committee found that they were not suitable for the job. So they were not selected."

Increase of pay of karnams in shrotriyam villages.

* 71 *Q.*—SRI K. ARANGANATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state whether there is any proposal to increase the pay of village karnams in the shrotriyam villages?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—"Yes. The matter is under the consideration of the Government."

SRI K. ARANGANATHAN :—"How long will the Government keep this matter under consideration? Why should there be difference in respect of pay between the karnams in the inam and shrotriyam villages when both do the same kind of work?"

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—"Sir, everything short of a final decision is in Government's language considered to be "under consideration of Government" including very important decisions."

SRI R. V. SWAMINATHAN :—"May I know, Sir, whether there is any proposal before Government to bring in a comprehensive piece of legislation to bring all these village officers in Inam, Ryotwari and Zamindari villages on an equal level with regard to their status, pay, etc."

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—"An elaborate legislation for this purpose is not necessary. Only if we increase the pay scales, the village officer in a shrotriyam village comes on a par with others."

SRI V. R. NAGARAJAN :—"Apart from giving increments in pay, will the Government be pleased to supply them with stationery like paper and pencils, as they make a very great grievance of it?"

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—"When the case of the ryotwari village officers is considered, the case of these officers also will be considered."

Labour organizations recognized by Government.

* 72 *Q.*—SRI S. RAMALINGAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries and Labour be pleased to state what are the Provincial Labour Organizations recognized by the Government for the purpose 10-20 a.m.